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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:) "EXPRESS MAIL" mailing label
) No. EL 827656769 US
Aguzzi et al.)
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Plasma) Commissioner for Patents, Washington,
) D.C. 20231.
Group Art Unit: 1653)
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Examiner: Carlson) Richard Zimmermann

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following amendment.

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 10 as follows:

10. [AMENDED] A method for the detection, and optionally quantification,
of PrP^{Sc} or digestion products thereof, wherein PrP^{Sc} is first concentrated according to claim 1
and then detected, and optionally compared with a standard.

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